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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

A telephonic interview was held between Examiner Naeem Haq and Randy Gregory, both applicant and attorney of record, on April 13, 2004. No exhibits or drawings other than those in the file of the application were introduced.

The principle discussion focused on the main claims numbers 28 and 41 which indicate that the transaction identifier in applicant's invention is created

by the purchaser or merchant or between them. This was supported in the most recent argument submitted in applicant's response to office action.

Examiner Haq indicated that he believed the claims now presented represented a change in the invention being defined. Applicant's attorney argued that this was not the case, since Franklin was a newly introduced reference and the amendments were necessitated by application of the Franklin reference.


Applicant pointed out that under the technology described in the Franklin patent, a fraud enabling transaction number was issued by the bank and sent to the customer. The customer then re-transmits the fraud enabling proxy account number to the merchant. Presumably the merchant would then again transfer the proxy charge card number to the bank in seeking confirmation and assurance of payment. It was pointed out that this approach provided numerous instances where an astute internet fraud artist could intercept this information and use it to effectuate a charge against the proxy card number, since the number was fully enabled at the time it is communicated from the bank to the customer.

Additionally pointed out is that the dependent claims discussed the authentication/verification technique which is changeable and prevents interception and reuse at a later time.

Applicant expressed his belief that the Franklin patent does not render the pending claims obvious within the meaning of section 103.

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